

In fact, Dr. Scott brings an effective personal touch to everything he does. He has a great gift for friendship and collegiality, which in my case has made for a cordial, candid, and supportive relationship through many shared endeavors over the years.

On behalf of North Carolina's congressional delegation and my constituents in the Fourth District, I join Dr. Scott's many friends, colleagues, and students in thanking him for the energy and effort he has dedicated to Wake Tech and congratulating him on a job well done. He leaves the college stronger than he found it, better equipped to nurture future generations of conscientious and effective leaders. For that, all North Carolinians are in his debt. We thank Dr. Stephen Scott for his exemplary service and wish him and his family well as he begins the next chapter in his life.

THE STATE OF PLAY: GLOBALIZED CORRUPTION, STATE-RUN DOPING, AND INTERNATIONAL SPORT

HON. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 26, 2018

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, we recently held a hearing on state-run doping to address the corruption and human rights violations that it produces in international sport. Athletic doping is really low—that anyone can cheat in a competition and then take any satisfaction or pride in winning is really beyond comprehension, to say nothing of the profound unfairness to the other competitors and fans and damage to the sport.

But state-run doping compounds these injustices with serious human rights violations—it naturally leads to pressuring athletes to dope, and threatening whistleblowers.

I thank Yuliya Stepanova and Dr. Grigory Rodchenkov, represented yesterday by Jim Walden, for their remarkable courage in revealing the Russian government's state-run doping program, as well. It is not only the rest of the world, but Russia itself is indebted to them. In blowing the whistle on what their government was doing to cheat in international sporting events, they acted as true patriots—for any country, it is better to lose a medal than to lose the country's honor. And this state-run doping campaign is totally unworthy of the great spiritual heritage of Russia, and takes something away from every Russian person, as it makes it impossible for them to take an honest and natural pride in their country's performance in sporting events.

Since this hearing addressed globalized corruption in sport, I also mentioned a whistleblower who was not with us yesterday—Dr. Xue Yinxian, a Chinese doctor who worked with China's Olympic team in the 1980s and at one point served as the chief medical supervisor to the Chinese gymnastic team.

Dr. Xue claims that 10,000 athletes were involved in a Chinese state-run doping program during the '80s and '90s. They had to accept the drugs, she says, or "face punishment or criticism." She adds, "If you refused to dope, you had to leave the team." She has also discussed the abhorrent practice of doping young athletes—as young as eleven years old—resulting in devastating physical effects. Given

the extent of the program, she concludes that all medals won by China at this time should be returned. Like too many whistleblowers, she has been forced to flee her home for fear of retaliation. She has commented, "Anyone against doping damaged the country and anyone who endangered the country now sits in prison."

Dr. Xue is now seeking asylum in Germany. It would be a terrible thing if her claim were to be denied and she is forced to return to China. We were also greatly honored to have had Dagmar Freitag, a German Member of the Bundestag and Chairwoman of the Bundestag's Sports Committee, with us yesterday, and I inquired into where Dr. Xue's asylum claim stands.

CELEBRATING THE LONG CAREER AND RETIREMENT OF ELLEN WALLACH

HON. JERROLD NADLER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 26, 2018

Mr. NADLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the retirement of Ellen Wallach, a public servant whose faithful and diligent spirit has graced my district office throughout my tenure in Congress.

Ellen Wallach has had a long, fruitful, and deeply impactful career in casework and constituent services, first for the office of Rep. Ted Weiss from 1977 to 1993, and then for my office from 1993 onwards. Her knowledge of casework issues is encyclopedic, and she has inspired generations of young caseworkers with the care she brings to her life-changing work. In many ways, Ellen has directly performed the most important duties of any congressional office: she meets with constituents who are facing what can be profoundly challenging circumstances, and she finds a way to help them. During her 42 years working for the House of Representatives, Ellen has steadfastly assisted New Yorkers facing a slew of issues, many of them unprecedented or legally convoluted, as they navigate the immigration system, attempt to gain access to basic healthcare and housing, or work to receive the veterans' and retirement benefits to which they are entitled. Ellen also assisted in the immediate and long-term aftermath of the devastating 9/11 attacks on the World Trade Center, which occurred in our congressional district; she has fought for the rights of survivors, first responders, and families to receive the resources and information they needed to recover and live life to the fullest. As if that were not enough, Ellen devotes much of her free time to supporting the local arts community, to the benefit of countless children and artists in New York City. Her career has been dedicated to the people of New York in the truest sense of the word, and on behalf of my constituency, my staff, and myself, I wish Ellen a restful, joyous transition into retirement.

Ellen Wallach is a role model for those who want to dedicate their lives to benefiting others in real and lasting ways. I salute her, and I thank her for her service to the people of the United States, the State of New York and my Congressional District.

ZTE VIOLATES U.S. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAWS

HON. STEVE CHABOT

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 26, 2018

Mr. CHABOT. Mr. Speaker, ZTE has been a consistent offender of U.S. law and policy. It has repeatedly lied to the U.S. government, broken commitments, and stolen valuable intellectual property (IP) from the U.S. companies. That is precisely why I hoped for the inclusion of the Senate amendment to reinstate penalties against ZTE in the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for FY2019. Unfortunately, the amendment will not be included and I remain deeply concerned that America's businesses—both large and small—may pay the price.

ZTE routinely employs many U.S. patented innovations without paying anything for the privilege. U.S. businesses have successfully brought suits against ZTE at both the US International Trade Commission and in U.S. district courts. Moreover, ZTE refuses to enter into fair licensing agreements with U.S. businesses to pay for the IP it has appropriated and employs tactics to avoid entering into fair contractual agreements while the theft of IP from our U.S. companies continues.

In light of the fact that the FY2019 NDAA will not include language to reinstate penalties against ZTE and the likelihood that ZTE will be back to business in the U.S. as usual, I will be introducing legislation that helps to protect U.S. businesses from ZTE's nefarious activities and creates meaningful repercussions for ZTE if it continues to steal our most advanced and valuable intellectual property.

I believe that if ZTE is going to have the undeserved privilege of conducting business with U.S. companies, Congress must act to ensure that they operate as good stewards of our free market system or face the penalties that our own businesses are subject to. The protection of our U.S. intellectual property laws remains my top priority.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BRENDAN F. BOYLE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 26, 2018

Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I'd like to make clear that, had I been able to vote, I would have voted NO on roll call votes 240 and 241 on June 7, 2018.

INTRODUCTION OF THE REDUCING OBESITY IN YOUTH ACT

HON. STEVE COHEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 26, 2018

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of the Reducing Obesity in Youth Act, a bill I introduced earlier today along with my colleagues ROSA DELAURO and JAN SCHAKOWSKY. This bill would promote beneficial healthy eating and physical activity habits for children.